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1. EC COMMISSION OFFICIAL WHO DEALS WITH RELATIONS WITH
STATE-TRADING COUNTRIES (FOUERE) INFORMED MISSION
OFFICER AUGUST 4 THAT MANDATE FOR THE COMMISSION TO
CONDUCT NEGOTIATIONS ON A TEXTILE AGREEMENT WITH POLAND
WAS APPROVED BY THE EC COUNCIL ON JULY 19. FOUERE
INDICATED THAT NEGOTIATIONS MIGHT OPEN THIS FALL AND
THAT THE COMMISSION HOPES TO PIN DOWN A TIMETABLE IN
SEPTEMBER.

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2. ACCORDING TO FOUERE, COUNCIL CONSIDERATION OF THE
DRAFT MANDATE PROPOSED BY THE COMMISSION FOR TEXTILE
NEGOTIATIONS WITH HUNGARY HAS BEEN HELD UP BY HUNGARIAN
DISAGREEMENT WITH EC INSISTENCE THAT AN AGREEMENT BE
BASED ON ARTICLE 4 OF THE MULTIFIBER AGREEMENT (WHICH
SPECIFIES TERMS UNDER WHICH MFA SIGNATORIES CAN CONCLUDE
BILATERAL AGREEMENTS). THIS COMMUNITY POSITION FORMED

THE BASIS OF THE EC'S ORIGINAL MARCH 1975 OFFER TO
NEGOTIATE BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENTS WITH ROMANIA,
HUNGARY, AND POLAND (REF A) AND HAS BEEN ACCEPTED BY
BOTH ROMANIA, WITH WHOM AN AGREEMENT WAS CONCLUDED IN
NOVEMBER 1976 (REF B), AND NOW POLAND. FOUERE INDICATED
THAT HUNGARY CONTINUES TO INSIST THAT AN AGREEMENT BE
BASED INSTEAD ON ARTICLE 6 OF THE MFA (WHICH PROVIDES
FOR GENERALLY MORE FAVORABLE TREATMENT FOR DEVELOPING
COUNTRIES). FOUERE SAID THERE IS A STRONG POSSIBILITY
THAT THE COUNCIL'S FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT
MANDATE FOR NEGOTIATIONS WITH HUNGARY WILL NOW AWAIT
RESOLUTION OF THE MFA RENEWAL QUESTION. HINTON

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